



The City of Minneapolis

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

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Honoring DeLaSalle High School Boys' Basketball 2015 Minnesota Class AAA State Champions

- WHEREAS: DeLaSalle High School of Minneapolis won its fourth straight Minnesota Class AAA State Championship on March 14, defeating St. Paul Johnson High School, 82-64; and
- WHEREAS: DeLaSalle is only the third high school in the history of the Minnesota State Tournament to win four straight boys' championships. The 2014-15 team finished with a record of 27-4, were champions of the Tri-Metro Conference with a 12-0 record, and champions of Section 3AAA prior to winning the State Tournament; and
- WHEREAS: Head coach Dave Thorson now has a career record of 477 wins and 129 losses. In his 21 years at DeLaSalle, the school has qualified for thirteen state tournaments, won seven titles and finished as runner-up twice. Going back to 1927, DeLaSalle boys' basketball teams have qualified for 46 state tournaments and won 21 state championships; and
- WHEREAS: The team represents a microcosm of the entire DeLaSalle student body, the most diverse private high school in Minnesota – defined by every possible demographic including socio-economics, race, neighborhood and family background. The 16 players and managers on the team came to DeLaSalle from 12 different grade schools, parochial and public, including every neighborhood in Minneapolis; and
- WHEREAS: All six Islander seniors have been accepted to colleges. During Coach Dave Thorson's career at DeLaSalle, every senior has matriculated to college; and
- WHEREAS: In alphabetical order, the team's roster included Sacar Anim, Jack Borman, Eli Brimacomb, Joshua Collins, Jeffrey Daubanton, Philip England, Robert Hannah, Will Irvin, Jarvis Johnson, Samm Jones, Gabe Kalscheur, Goanar Mar, Austin McGeheran, Nathaniel Podewils, Cole Tesch-Stevson, Kevin Wesseh; and
- WHEREAS: In alphabetical order, the team's assistant coaching staff included Todd Anderson, David Collier '99, Nicholas Grue '98, C.J. Hallman '02, Jalen Jaspers '10, and Tim Mieux. The team's trainer was Cindy Schlafman;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL:

THAT THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS CONGRATULATES THE
DELASALLE BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACHES FOR WINNING
THE 2015 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Passed by the City Council
seventeenth Day of April A.D. 2015

Barbara A. Johnson, *President of Council*

APPROVED:

Betsy
Hodges, *Mayor*

ATTEST:

Casey Joe Carl, *City Clerk*